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SUBJ: PRESS REACTION

1. BOTH AL MADINA AND AL NAWDA HEADLINED THE POSSIBILITY OF RENEWED FIGHTING IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THESE NEWSPAPERS AND UKAZ POINTED OUT THE INTENSE DIPLOMATIC MOVEMENT AMONG ARAB GOVERNMENTS WITH HEADLINES READING, "CONTINUOUS ARAB MOVEMENTS," "ARAB COUNTRIES MORE UNIFIED IN CRUCIAL STANDS," AND "COLLECTIVE ARAB PREPARATIONS TO FACE EVENTUALITIES."

2. MAIN STORIES AL MADINA HEADLINE "SPOTLIGHT ON KISSINGER'S MID-EAST TOUR AND EVALUATION OF PEACE AND WAR PROSPECTS. NO INDICATION SUGGESTING OPTIMISM OVER WASHINGTON MEETINGS," "FAISAL THANKS AFRICANS (KENYA AND LIBERIA) FOR BREAKING RELATIONS WITH ENEMY," "PALESTINIAN TALKS WITH ARAB STATES REGARDING FORTHCOMING PEACE CONFERENCE. WILL GROUPS ADHERE TO FATEH'S PLAN DEMANDING A DEMOCRATIC PALESTINIAN STATE?"

3. AL NAWDA: "BOUMEDIENNE ARRIVES IN BAGHDAD TO CONTINUE TALKS ON ARAB SITUATION," "ARAB STATES MAINTAIN PETROLEUM POLICY AGAINST STATES SUPPORTING ISRAEL," "NEW PHANTOM FIGHTER-  
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BOMBERS TO ISRAEL," "KISSINGER STARTS IMPORTANT TOUR TO

SEVERAL ARAB CAPITALS TODAY," "STATE DEPARTMENT SOURCES SAY THAT WASHINGTON DISAPPROVES MEIR'S DEMANDS FOR 'FACILITATION' OF CEASEFIRE LINES."

4. COMMENTARIES: AL BILAD MAINTAINS THAT ISRAEL IS PRE-SISTING IN ILLUSIONS WHICH HAVE GAINED HER NOTHING BUT CONTINUED LOSSES AND MORE WARS. THE LATEST OF THESE ILLUSIONS WAS GOLDA MEIR'S CALL FOR STRAIGHTENING OUT THE CEASE FIRE LINE ON THE SUEZNCANAL. UKAZ COMMENTS THAT THE ARAB NATION HAS ACHIEVED VICTORY IN ONE TENTH OF RAMADAN WAR BY REMOVING THE HUMILIATION OF 1967 THROUGH UNITY OF RANK, WORD AND STEP.  
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